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**UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT
EASTERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA**

In re:

Case No. 2014-14241

Arthur B Fontaine,

Chapter 11

Debtor

DC No.: DMG- 1

**DECLARATION OF ARTHUR FONTAINE IN SUPPORT OF
MOTION TO EMPLOY ATTORNEY FOR DEBTOR**

I, Arthur Fontaine, declare as follows:

1. I am a resident of Kern County California, I make this declaration based upon my own personal knowledge and could competently testify to the matters contained herein.

2. I filed a voluntary petition under Chapter 11 of the United States Bankruptcy Code on August 25, 2014.

3. I wish to employ the Law Offices of Young Wooldridge, LLP 1800 30th Street, Fourth Floor, Bakersfield, CA 93301-5298 as my attorney of record during the bankruptcy proceeding herein.

4. I have selected the Law Offices of Young Wooldridge, LLP, for the following reasons:

a. D. Max Gardner is familiar with bankruptcy practice and debtor/creditor law;
and

1 b. I believe that D. Max Gardner is well-qualified to act as my attorney of
2 record in this case.

3 5. I am informed that D. Max Gardner's normal billing rate is \$295.00 per hour
4 for Mr. Gardner's time and \$85.00 per hour for paralegal time, and that I will reimburse the
5 Law Offices of Young Wooldridge for costs incurred by it including filing fees, photocopies,
6 long distance telephone calls, postage and travel expenses

7 6. I will reimburse the Law Offices of Young Wooldridge for the costs incurred by
8 the office based on the actual costs advanced by the Law Offices of Young Wooldridge for
9 photocopies and travel expenses. The Law Offices of Young Wooldridge's charge for
10 photocopies in this case shall be \$0.15 per page, while the office's travel expense will be \$.35 per
11 mile for travel outside the Bakersfield area.

12 7. It is contemplated that compensation paid to the Law Offices of Young
13 Wooldridge will be based on its normal and usual hourly billing rate plus reimbursement for costs
14 incurred by the office as described herein and that any compensation paid to the Law Offices of
15 Young Wooldridge will be made after application to the Court for approval of the payment of
16 fees and expenses.

17 8. I am a medical doctor who is the sole owner of a medical corporation
18 named Arthur B. Fontaine MD, Inc. The medical corporation has paid a total retainer in the
19 amount of \$14,217 prior to the filing of the petition. \$1717 was utilized to pay the filing fee.
20 \$1085 has been paid for pre-petition services.

21 I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct and that this
22 declaration was executed on September 3, 2014, at Bakersfield, California.

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